



## Real-Time Edge AI for Distributed Systems (READS)

### Disentangling Beam Losses in the Fermilab Main Injector Enclosure Using Real-time Edge AI

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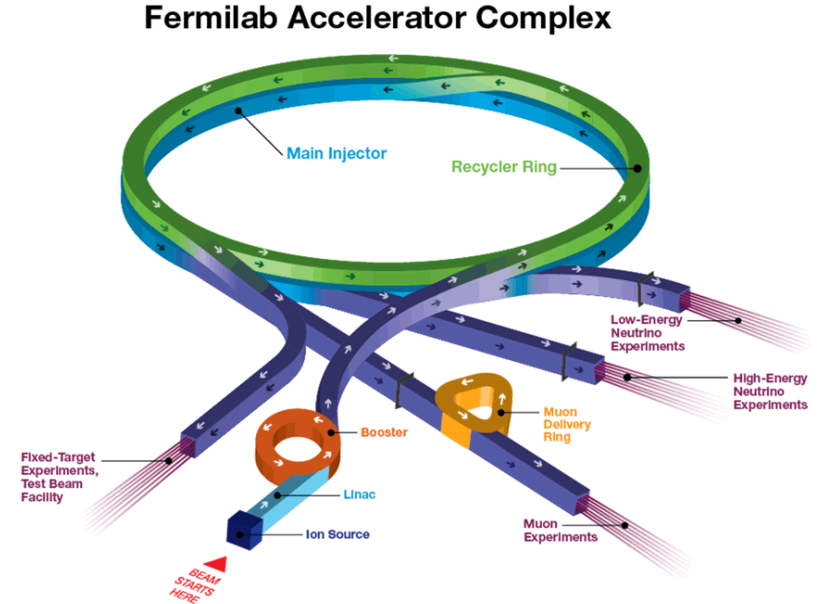


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# Fermilab Main Injector and Recycler

- Main Injector
  - 8-120 GeV (150 GeV) synchrotron proton accelerator
  - 3.3 km (2.05 mile) machine circumference
  - Delivers 120 GeV, 1MW beams to NuMI beamline experiments
  - Delivers 120 GeV resonant extracted beams to Switchyard experiment beamlines
- Recycler
  - 8 GeV permanent magnet ring
  - 3.3 km (2.05 mile) machine circumference
  - Originally purposed as an antiproton storage ring for TeVatron collider operations
  - Now used as a proton stacker for high intensity NuMI beams (injecting to Main Injector)
  - Accumulates and bunches beam for g-2 experiment

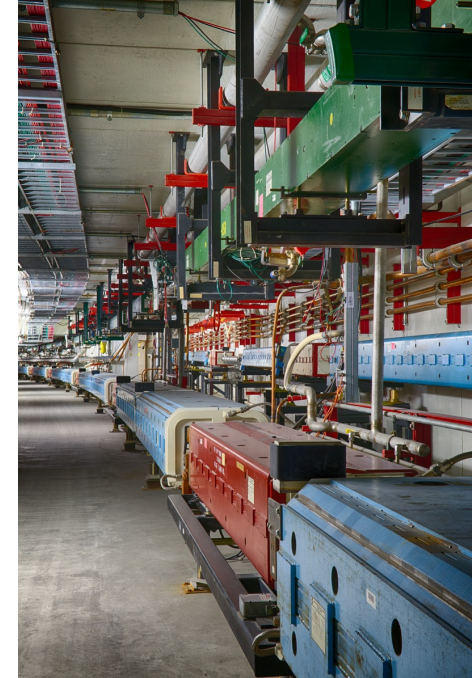
Both machines reside in the same tunnel!



# Project Overview

- Main Injector and Recycler share an enclosure
- Both machines can and do often have high intensity beam in them simultaneously
- Both machines can generate significant beam loss
- The machine origin of a beam loss is often hard to distinguish
- Often losses from one machine end up tripping the machine permit of the other resulting in unnecessary beam downtime

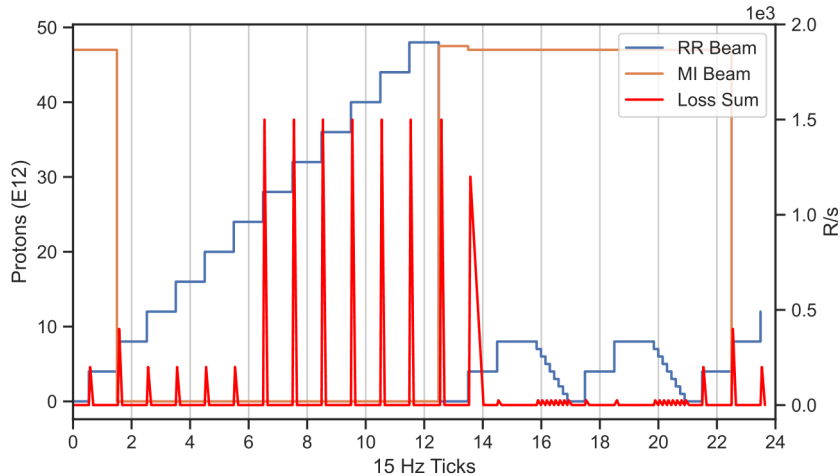
The project aims to deploy a machine learning model on a FPGA that when fed streamed beam loss readings from around the Main Injector complex, will infer in real-time the machine loss origin



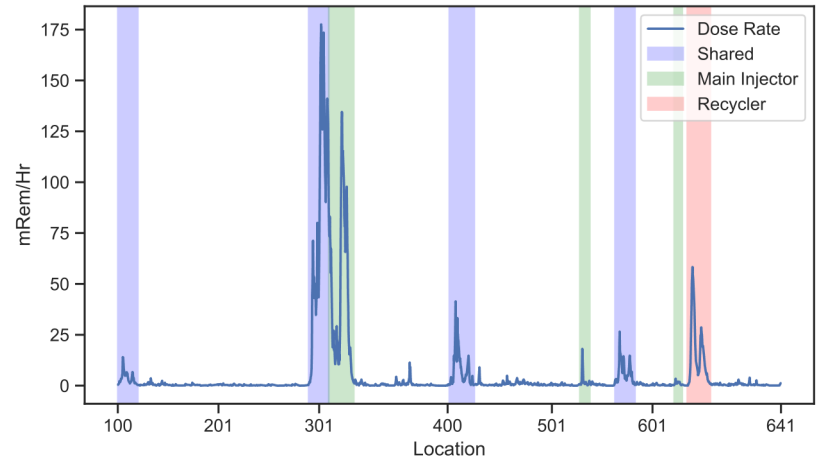
**Main Injector tunnel**  
**Recycler (top) Main Injector (bottom)**

# Project Overview

- Using time, location and state of the machine, machine experts can sometimes attribute loss to a particular machine
  - This suggests a Machine Learning (ML) model may be trainable to automatically attribute loss and replicate or improve upon the expert's ability



**Example illustration of overlapping beam events and losses in the MI and RR accelerators**



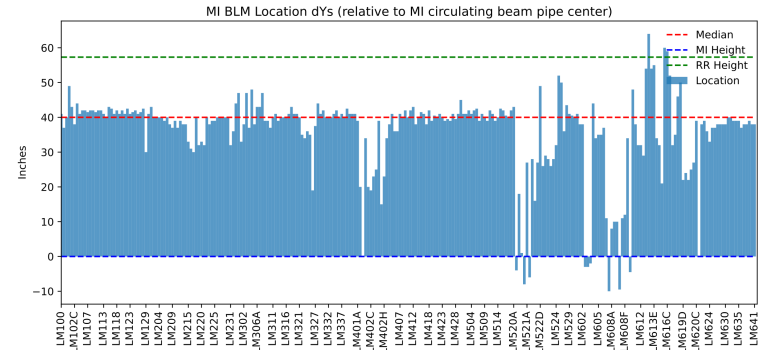
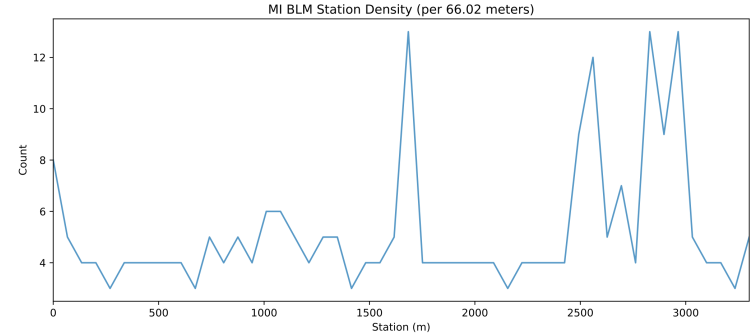
**Location dependency of MI and RR beam loss as seen from tunnel activation residual doses**

# Beam Loss Monitors (BLM)

- Glass Ionization Chambers
- 259+ BLMs, 7 BLM nodes distributed around the MI complex
- BLM nodes provide ACNET loss readings
  - **Hardware unable to stream all BLM readings simultaneously at fastest readout frequency**
- BLM nodes tied into the machine permit
- Recorded the location of all BLM in the Main Injector tunnel
- Assume BLM locations will have to be controlled once a ML model has been trained, else risk having to re-train
- 23% of the BLMs exist in ~10% of tunnel

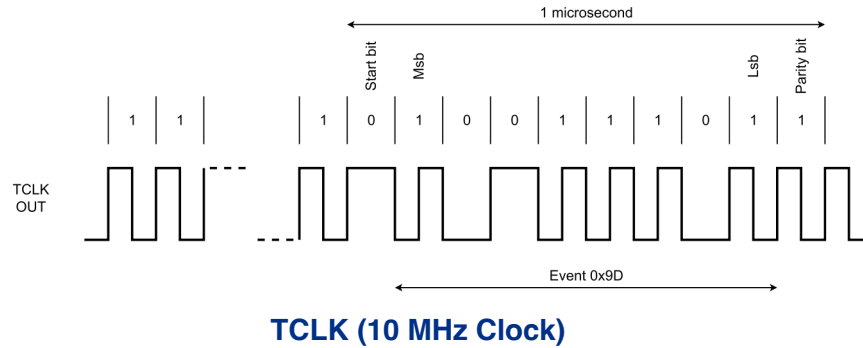


Beam Loss Monitor



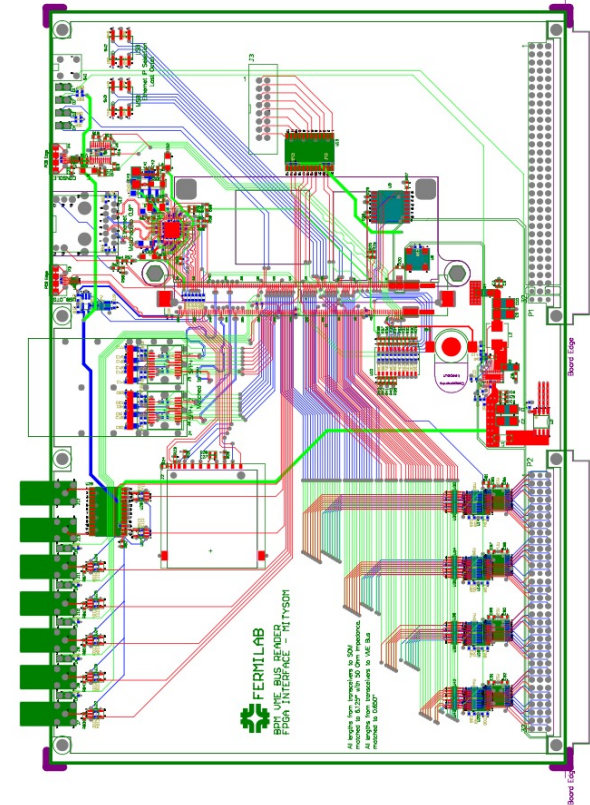
# TCLK and MDAT

- TCLK (TeVatron Clock)
  - 10 MHz Event Clock
  - Provides current machine program and status
  - Originates from Timeline Generator (TLG) hardware
- MDAT (Machine Data)
  - 720 Hz
  - Originates from various hardware around Main Injector Complex
    - Low Level RF
    - Beam Current Monitor Front Ends
    - Main Injector Ramp Regulation Front End (MECAR)



# VME Bus Reader (Pirate) Cards

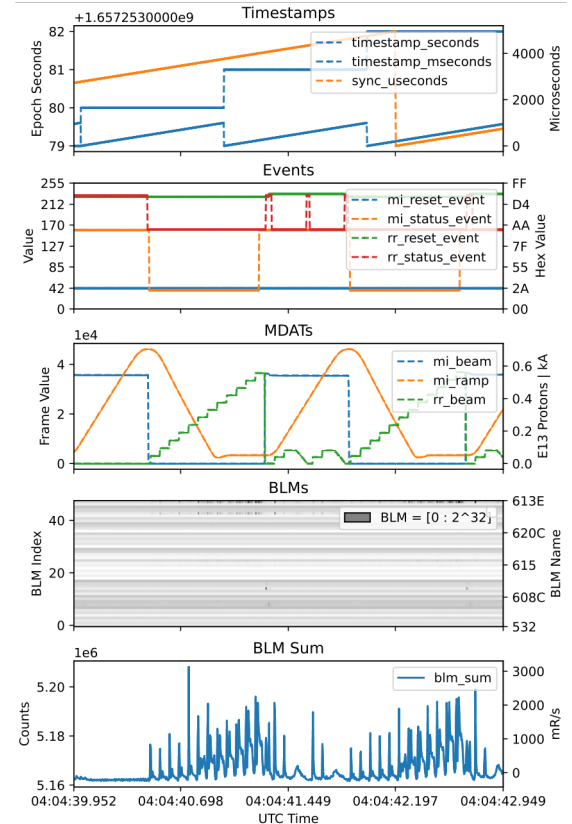
- One of the requirements of the project was not to interfere in any way with the normal operation of the existing BLM system
  - The purpose of the Pirate cards are to monitor BLM digitizer polls and transmit the data over ethernet
- Pirate cards are MitySOM Cyclone 5 FPGAs on custom VME carrier boards
- Each BLM node has a Pirate card installed in it (7 cards total)
- All BLM channels are available to stream simultaneously
- Also transmits TCLK and MDAT readings
- TCLK and MDAT are monitored to provide microsecond timestamping
  - Used to synchronize streams across multiple cards
- Data is streamed via UDP in DDCP protocol format
- Data frequency is 333 Hz (current rate of digitizer polling)
- Each card streams 0.4-0.6 Mb/s (dependent on number of BLM channels in crate)



VME Bus Reader (Pirate) card

# Datasets

- Sample Dataset
  - 15/33 Hz
  - Data taken from machine operations via ACNET
  - Includes all 259 operational BLMs, TCLK, and MDAT data
  - Taken throughout the 2020/2021/2022 runs
- High Frequency Dataset
  - 333 Hz (BLM node digitizer poll rate)
  - Data from VME Bus Reader (Pirate) cards commissioned June 2022
  - Same data as Sample datasets albeit faster
- Study Datasets
  - 33/333 Hz
  - Data taken from 2021/2022 dedicated end of run studies
  - Includes all the same data as the Sample and High Frequency datasets
  - Timeline altered so that only Main Injector or Recycler had beam at any time
  - Beam losses purposefully generated in both machines using various machine miss-configurations to not bias a model towards standard running
  - All beam loss attributable to a machine

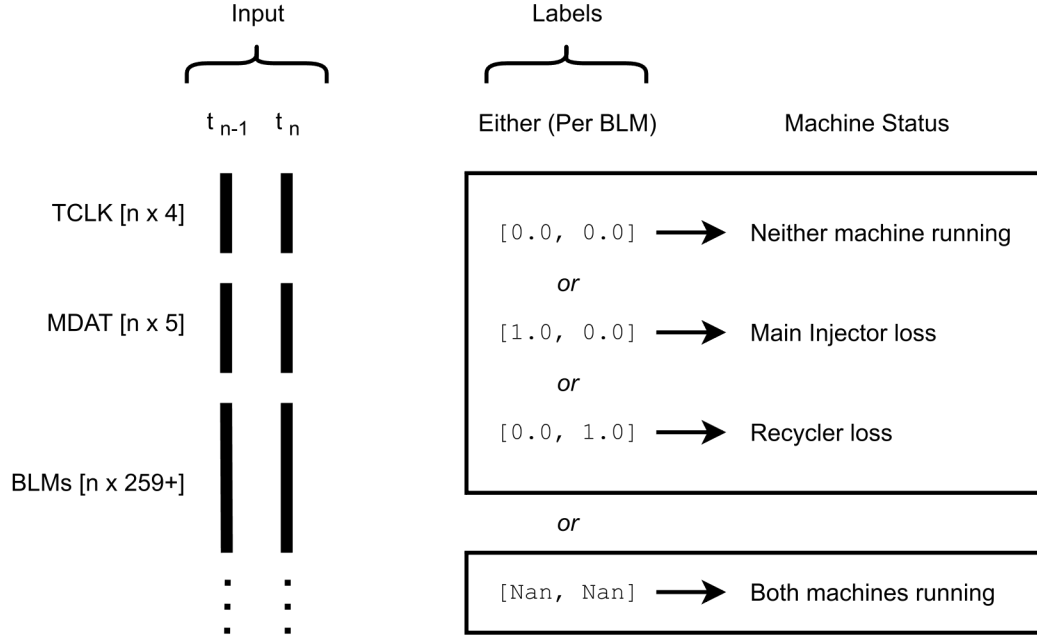


Few second example of Pirate card stream

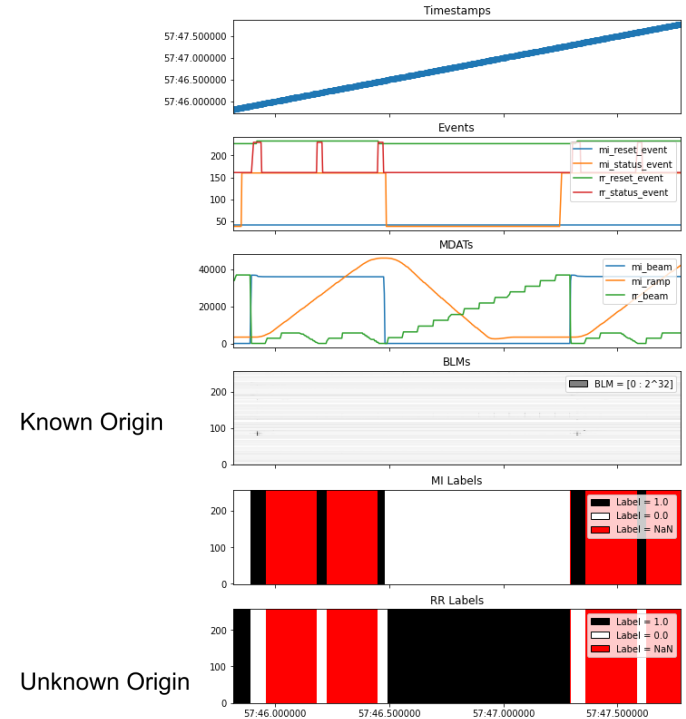


# Data Labeling

- Data labeling automated using MDAT, and TCLK information



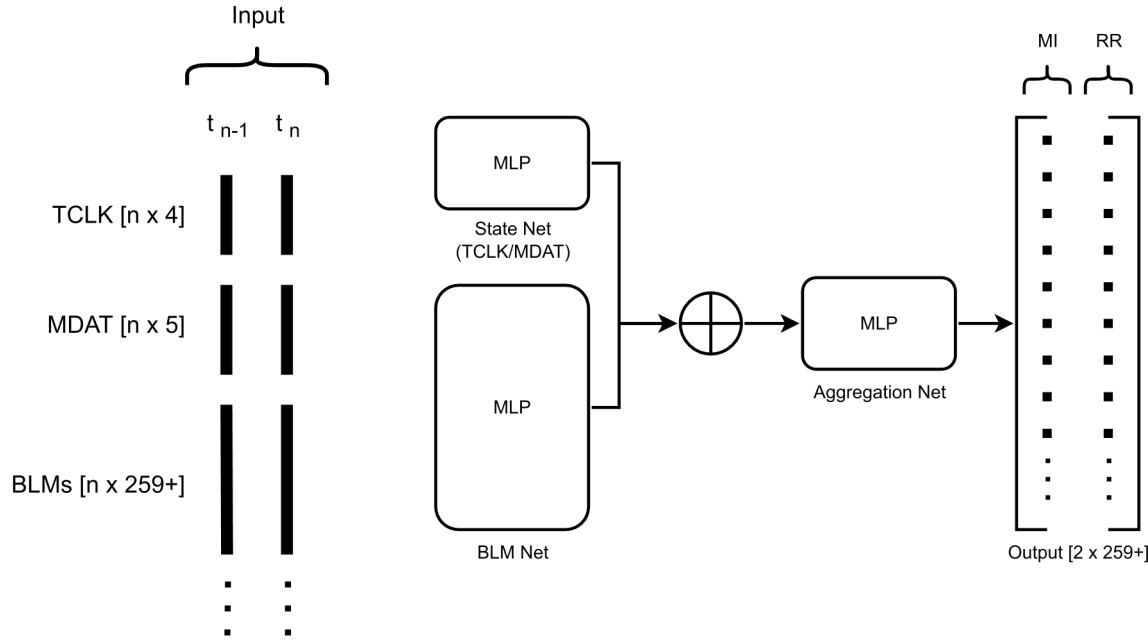
Labeling scheme



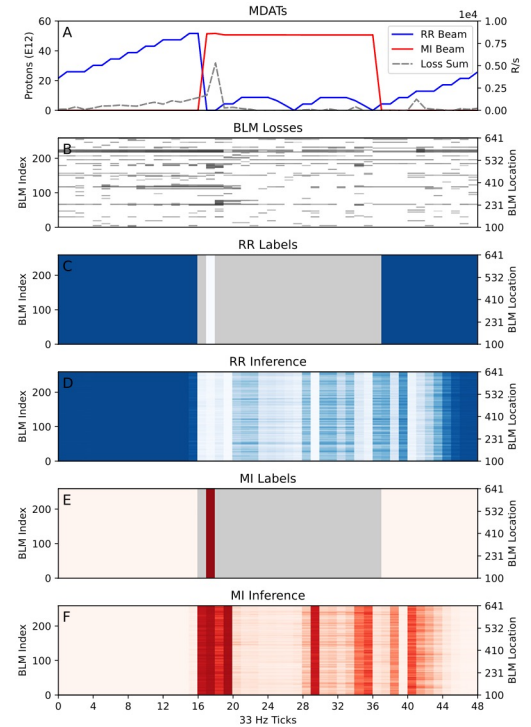
Data labeling example

# ML Model Architecture: Phase 1, Data-Type-Specific Aggregation (DBLN)

Objective: Assign BLM-wise probabilities for that loss originating in MI/RR



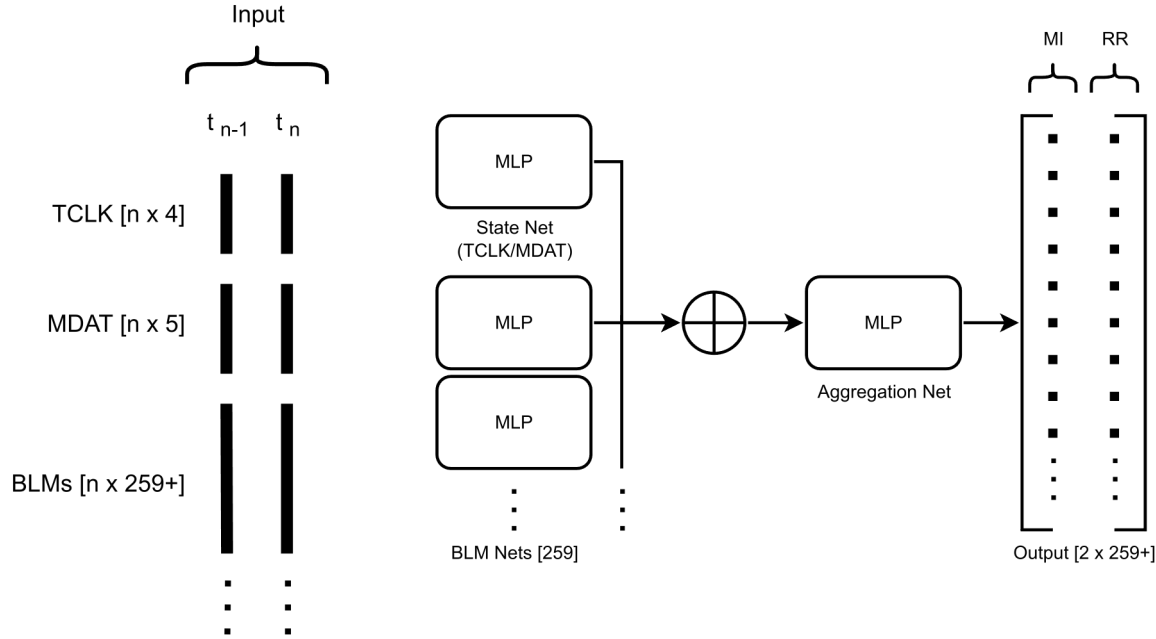
Model architecture



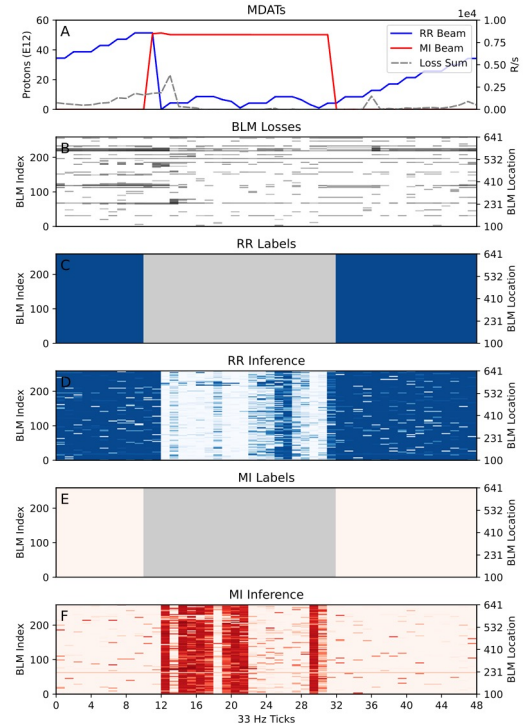
Model inference

# ML Model Architecture: Phase 2, Forcing Locality (ManyModels)

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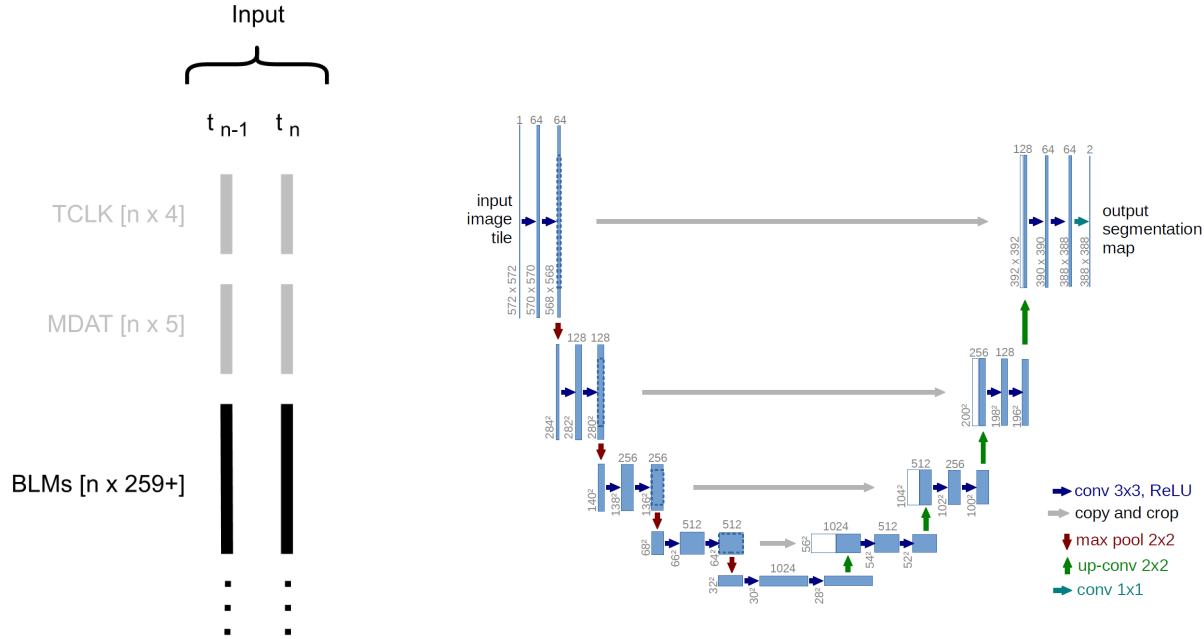
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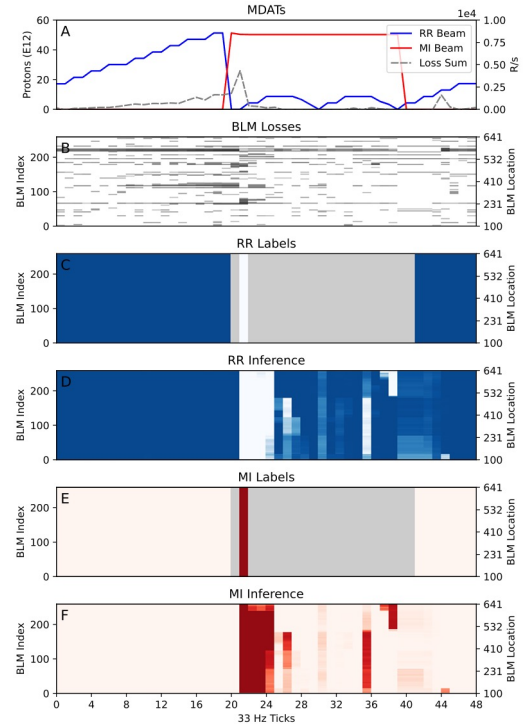
Model inference

# ML Model Architecture: Phase 3, Varying Receptive Fields (UNet)

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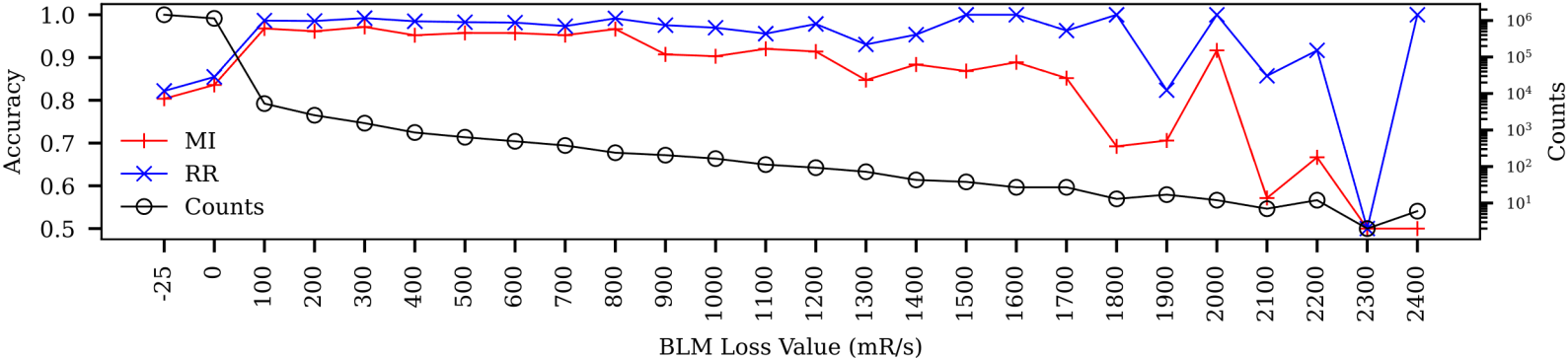


Model architecture (example)



Model inference

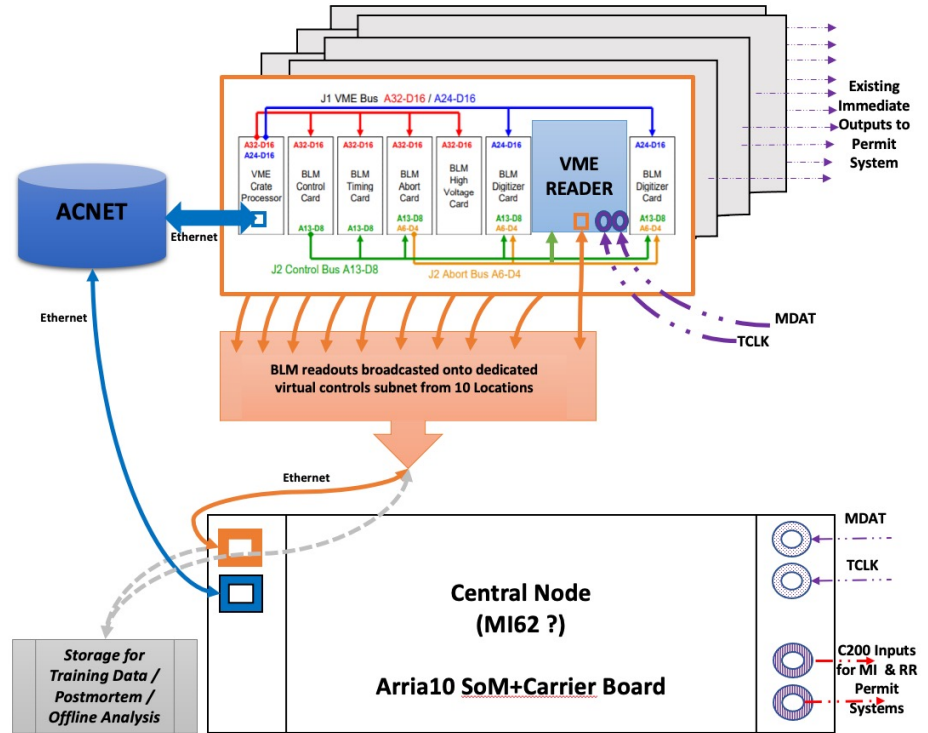
# ML Model Architecture: Phase 3, Varying Receptive Fields (UNet)



Example inference accuracies for beam loss values of interest

# Central Node

- Central node is an Aria10 FPGA SOM
- ML model will be deployed on FPGA
- Two HPS Arm cores and ethernet pots
  - One dedicated to ingesting VME bus reader card streams
  - One dedicated to and EPICS IOC to provide control system readings and waveforms
- Has inputs for MDAT and TCLK
- Has TTL outputs intended for MI and RR c200 permit input



Central node data paths

# Remaining Schedule / Work

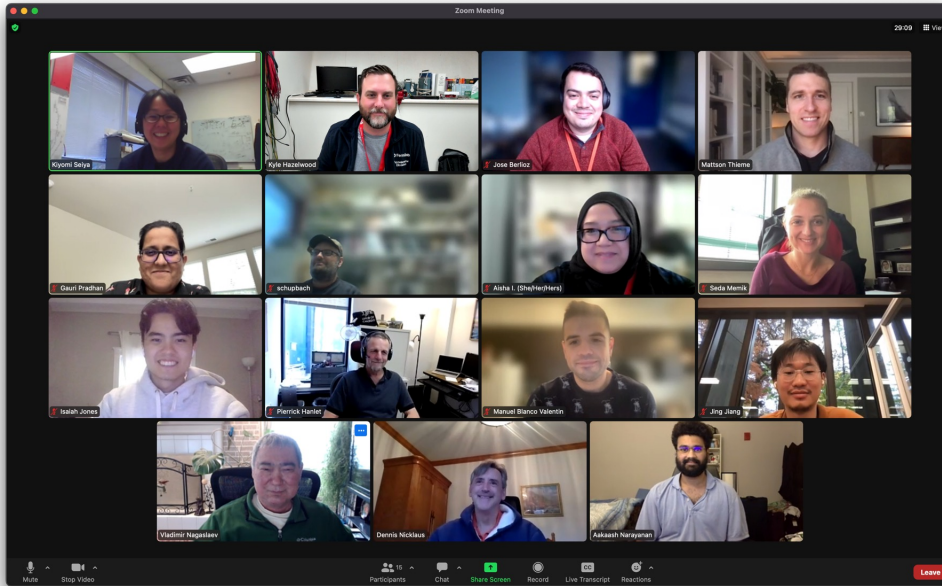
- Build and compile ML model for Aria10 Quartus project using hls4ml
- Build out advanced readouts from EPICS IOC
- Explore even lower latency VME Bus Reader card stream transmissions
- Optimize model(s) further
  - Tune hyperparameters
  - Prune/adjust architecture
  - Explore further data pruning,
  - Compare normalization and standardization methods
- Investigate model robustness
  - BLM readings missing or incorrect
  - TCLK, MDAT jitter
- Investigate parameter quantization
- Investigate active learning
- Investigate loss prediction
- Research figure of merit to compare expert loss attribution to model inference
- Tie Central Node into Main Injector and Recycler machine protection systems

# Summary

- VME Bus Reader (Pirate) cards were built to stream BLM readings from the enclosure
- Large amounts of data have been collected and continue to be collected for model training
- A promising ML model has been created to disentangle beam loss in the Main Injector enclosure
- Work is underway to implement our model on a Central Node FPGA
- Work continues to further optimize the model and explore its robustness and durability



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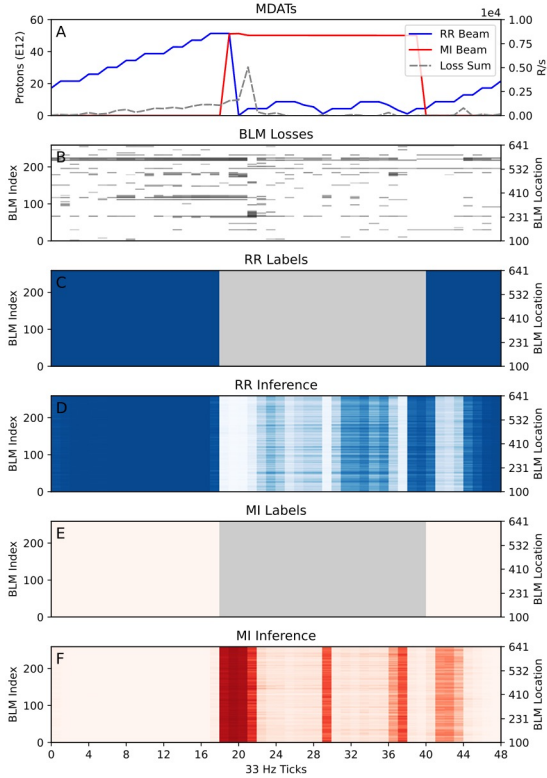
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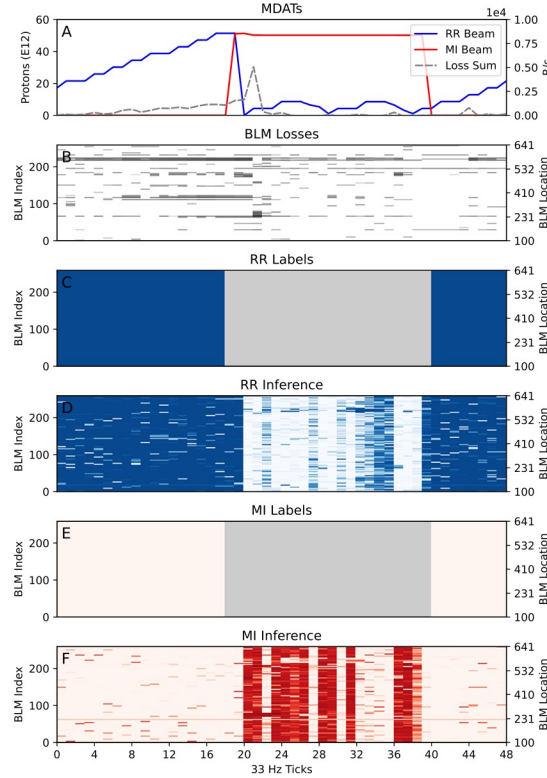
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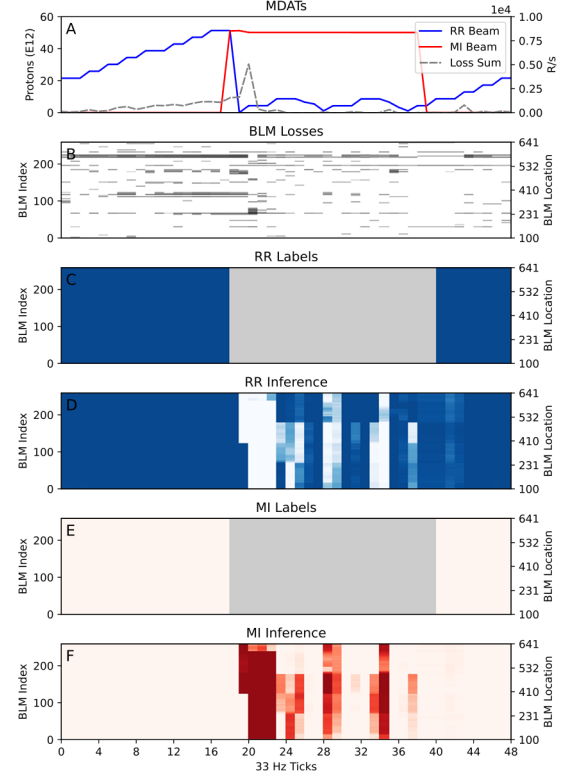
# Model Comparison



**DBLN**

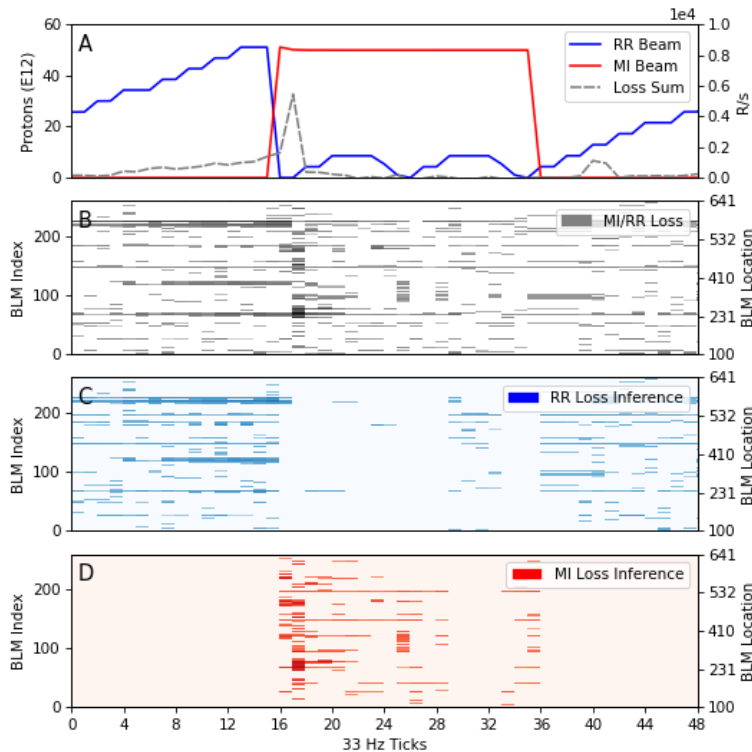


**Many Models**



**UNet**

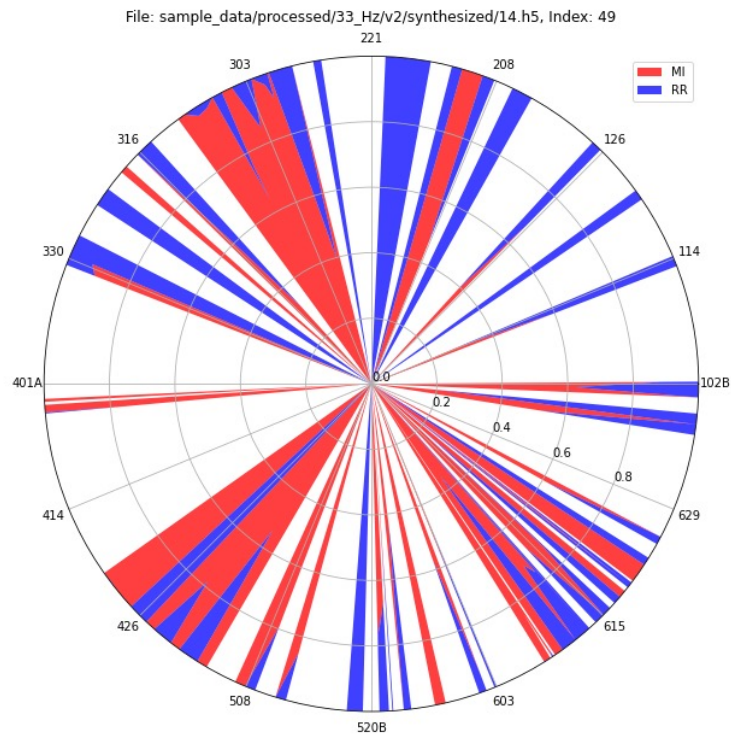
# ML Model Inference (continued)



Example model inferred losses

## Datasets (continued)

- Synthesized Dataset
  - 33 Hz
  - Using Sample and Study Datasets
  - Use known losses (attributed to one machine) and sum with known losses attributable to the other machine
  - Resulting labels are percentages of loss per BLM attributed to a machine
  - Will be used to attempt a semi-supervised model training



Example of synthesized data labeling